## Council on Postsecondary Education Committee on Equal Opportunities May 20, 2013

## Status: Statewide Diversity Planning and Support Programs

The following information focuses on diversity activities and initiatives since the Committee on Equal Opportunities met March 25, 2013.

## **Governor's Minority Student College Preparation Program Statewide Conference:**

The 13<sup>TH</sup> Annual GMSCPP Statewide Conference will be hosted by Morehead State University, June 2013. Approximately two hundred students from across Kentucky are expected to participate in the day and a half- conference. Students will participate in STEM-H activities.

## **GMSCPP Academically Proficient High School Junior and Senior Diversity**

**Conference:** The 26<sup>TH</sup> Annual Academically Proficient High School Junior and Senior Diversity Conference will be hosted by Eastern Kentucky University, June 28-29, 2013, in Richmond, Kentucky. Parents and student participation in this conference is voluntary. Currently there are approximately 150 students and parents registered for the event. The majority of the registrants requested an opportunity to stay on campus overnight. The partners for this conference are the Council on Postsecondary Education and Eastern Kentucky University.

**SREB Doctoral Scholars Program:** The Council on Postsecondary Education, the University of Kentucky, and the University of Louisville are in the process of reviewing applications for the SREB Doctoral Scholars Fellowship for fall 2013. In 2013-14, a total of 12 students applied (5 from the University of Kentucky and 7 from the University of Louisville). As a result of state agency budget cuts, the Commonwealth will support only two of the 12 scholars that applied, compared to five in previous years.

The 2013 SREB Doctoral Scholars Program Institute on Teaching and Mentoring will take place October 31-November 3, 2013, in Arlington, Virginia.

As of May 2013, 34 students are currently matriculating at Kentucky institutions, 32 percent of these students are in the STEM areas, and there are 70 graduates.

**Lumina Foundation Grant to Address Latino Student Success:** The Kentucky Latino Education Alliance (K'LEA), collaborators, and partners, met Friday, May 17, 2013, in Frankfort, Kentucky. The participants engaged in discussions of data review, K-12 achievement and graduation rates, college enrollment, retention and completion, promising practices, and K'LEA communications tools and resources. The remaining K'LEA meetings will be held in July, September, and November 2013.

**Council on Postsecondary Education Meeting Dates:** The remaining CPE meeting dates for 2013 are June 20, September 12-13 (Governor's Conference on Trusteeship), and November 15.

Staff preparation by Rana Johnson